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## Bible Commem September 30

### Will Issue New 2c Postal Card

Postmaster General Jesse M. Donaldson announced that a new No. 5 2-cent postal card, bearing the profile likeness of Lincoln and measuring 3 x 5 inches, will be issued and will go on first-day sale at the Washington, D. C., post office on July 31.

The new card, identical with that in use prior to January 1, 1952, except for denomination and color, will be printed in red.

Stamp collectors desiring first-day cancellations of this postal card should submit orders to the Postmaster, Washington 13, D. C., with money order remittance to cover the face value of such canceled cards as may be desired, at the rate of two cents each.

To insure return of the postal cards, collectors must enclose with their orders a covering envelope suitably addressed with return postage affixed at the rate of three cents for each ten cards requested.

The envelope to the Postmaster should be endorsed "FIRST DAY CANCELLATION 2-CENT POSTAL CARD".

### Famous Spaniards Commem Subjects

On July 8 Spain released two commems, one in homage to Jaime Ferran y Clua inventor of the anti-cholera vaccine, the other for Santiago Ramon y Cajal, Nobel prize winner and histology student.

The former has a denomination of 4.50 Pesetas, a dark brown color, a portrait of Clua and a printing of five million.

For the Cajal item, the color is blue, the value 2 Pts., the quantity ten million and a picture of the honored man is shown.

According to Carlos Lenze, Barquillo 29, Madrid, Spain the stamps mark the 100th anniversary of birth of the two doctors.

Mr. Lenze reveals that July 18 was the first day for the 5Pts. airmail which the three Spanish Colonies are individually issuing in honor of King Ferdinand.

The recent public competition to provide suitable designs for the annual "Colonial Stamp Day" issue of the Spanish colonies was successful in two of them. The third, Ifni, will reopen the contest for the month of July hoping for more adaptable art work then.

Many of the designs leaned to bird and animal life. Out of a collection of submitted art, Spanish Guinea authorities selected a model of a pair of toucans. Spanish Sahara chose one picturing an ostrich.

### Hamilton, Stamp Benefactor Dies

The founder and chief benefactor of the Veteran's Hospital Stamp Club at Long Beach, Calif., Bernard F. Hamilton, was called by death June 6.

Mr. Hamilton was unflagging in his interests and in his attempts to keep his boys, the hospitalized veterans, happy in the hobby and supplied with stamps.

In recognition of his unselfish devotion members of the club voted unanimously to rename the group the "Bernard F. Hamilton Stamp Club".

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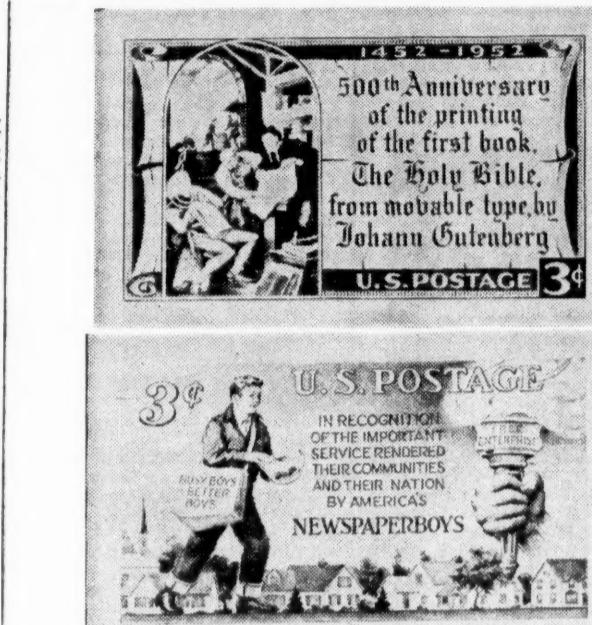
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**TWO FAMILIAR STANDBYS, THE BIBLE AND NEWSCARRIER** are the subject of stamp designs just revealed by the Post Office Department. There is a distinct tie-in between the two for after-reading today's news brought by the latter, one is apt to reach for the former. The Bible stamp, to mark the printing of the first book from movable type 500 years ago, which was a Bible, will be released at Washington September 30. The Newsboys' will debut at Philadelphia October 4. Color of either has not been announced, but the quantity will be the same for each, 110,000,000.

### Wordy Design Revealed For News Carrier Stamp; First Day Philadelphia October 4

Details of a stamp, the announcement of which raised quite a few eyebrows when it was made known some months ago, and means to get first day covers of it were revealed by the Post Office Department. It is the Newsboys' commem to have a first day of issue October 4 at Philadelphia, Pa. during the annual convention of the International Circulation Manager's Association. Like the Bible issue, it too will have an announcement as to color at a later date. A Newsboy and a torch symbolizing free enterprise dominate the design.

The Post Office Department bulletin gave the following details:

Postmaster General Jesse M. Donaldson announced the description of the 3c Newspaperboys commemorative stamp, which will be first placed on sale at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, on October 4, 1952, which is Newspaperboys Day.

Members of the International Circulation Managers' Association and Regional Circulation Managers will meet in Philadelphia at that time.

The stamp will be 0.84 by 1.44 in dimensions, arranged horizontally, printed by the rotary process, electric-eye perforated and issued in sheets of 50. The color of the stamp will be announced later.

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An initial printing order of 110,000,000 Newspaperboys stamps has been authorized.

Featured on the left side of the stamp is a newspaperboy delivering his newspapers and to the right is a torch, grasped in a human hand, a symbol of Free Enterprise. A group of homes, depicting the average residential community, serves as a base and background for the stamp.

The denomination 3c and 'U. S. Postage' appear across the top of the stamp in modified white face Roman. On the carrier bag used by the boy, the lettering, 'Busy Boys . . . Better Boys' is shown in dark Gothic. Centered between the figure and the torch, arranged in seven lines, is the wording, 'In recognition of the important service rendered their communities and their nation by

America's Newspaperboys'.

The above wording is in dark Gothic with the exception of 'Newspaperboys', which is in dark modified Roman.

Stamp collectors desiring first-day cancellations of this stamp may send addressed envelopes to the Postmaster at Philadelphia, Pa. with money order remittance to cover the cost of the stamps to be affixed. An enclosure of medium weight should be placed in each envelope and the flap either sealed or turned in.

The outside envelope to the Postmaster should be endorsed FIRST DAY COVERS.

### Peoria Collectors Elect Cohen President

I. V. Cohen was elected to the presidency of the Peoria Philatelic Society recently. He headed a new slate of officers which include vice president Robert E. Springer; secretary-treasurer J. T. Edgar; and corresponding secretary Philip A. Kyski.

Meetings to which interested persons are invited are held in Cicero Hall, 320 S. Jefferson Ave., Peoria, Ill., at 8 p. m. on the first and third Fridays.

### Agency Reports Sales Of 1 1/2 Million Dollars

Sales of over a million and a half dollars were made by the Philatelic Agency in Washington during the fiscal year closed June 30.

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### Release At Washington, D.C. Highlights National Bible Week; NYC Mural In Design

A mural in the New York Public Library will occupy a part of the design of the forthcoming commemorative to mark the 500th anniversary of the printing of the first book from movable type. This book, as nearly everyone knows, is the Holy Bible produced by Johann Gutenberg. The mural is one of a set of four paintings by artist Edward Laning in the third floor hall produced in the 1938-1940 period as a WPA project. Theme of the series is "The Story of the Recorded Word". Both the Library and Mr. Laning, now in Kansas City, were asked for permission to use the painting.

Dr. Luther Weigle suggested the use of the painting in the stamp design. He is dean emeritus of the Yale University Divinity School.

Presently, there are 46 known surviving copies of the Gutenberg Bible. One is in the Library of Congress in Washington at which place it is expected that the first day ceremonies will take place.

Single copies are also in the New York Public Library, the Morgan Library, and the Yale University Library.

There is also one available for purchase with a price tag of \$200,000 at Scribner's in New York.

In describing the stamp the Post Office Department bulletin read as follows:

"The 3c stamp to commemorate the 500th anniversary of the printing of the first book, The Holy Bible, from movable type, by Johann Gutenberg, will be first placed on sale at Washington, D. C., on September 30.

"This date was selected to coincide with the national observance of Bible Week.

"On the evening of September 30 several million Americans will gather to honor the Holy Bible, and on this date the new and revised Standard Version of both the Old and New Testaments will be released to the public.

"Protestants, Catholics and Jews will cooperate in the various cities to focus attention on the vital contribution the Bible has made to our Christian heritage and our national life.

"The stamp will be 0.84 by 1.44 inches in dimensions, arranged horizontally, printed by the rotary process, electric-eye perforated and issued in sheets of 50. The color of the stamp will be announced later. An initial printing order of 110,000,000 Gutenberg stamps has been authorized.

"An unfurled paper scroll forms the background for the overall design of the stamp. A vignette of 'Gutenberg' Showing a Proof to the Elector of Mainz' appears on the left half of the stamp. The right half of the stamp is composed of the following lettering, reading from top to bottom: '1452-1952' in white face Gothic; '500th anniversary of the printing of the first book' in dark Old English; 'U. S. Postage' in white face modified Gothic.

"The denomination 3c, also in white face modified Gothic, is framed in a square dark panel, in the bottom right-hand corner. The original mural, which was used for the central subject of this stamp, is in the New York Public Library, New York City, and was painted by Edward Laning.

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These World War I and II veterans recognized Johnson for his thorough and remarkable research which identified the men pictured on the U. S. Army command of 1945.

The full account of Johnson's findings, and the identification of men shown on the stamp, were an exclusive feature for Linn's Weekly Stamp News readers in the edition of October 1, 1951. A page one story and picture broke the news to the world's stamp collectors.

H. M. Brehm of New London, Wis., a Linn's feature writer, authored the article.

In commenting on the award, George E. Shuman, Past National Vice Commander of the organization wrote, "It was your story that brought Mr. Johnson this award. We are proud to give it to the man who gave so much of his time to these our comrades in arms."

### Inverted Airplane Block Brings \$22,000

A New York auction firm secured the highest price ever paid for a mint United States block of stamps, but then the block itself was unique.

It was the 1918 24c airmail with the inverted airplane in its center—and it sold for \$22,000 to an unnamed industrialist.

This particular item had at one time been in the Col. Green collection from which it was purchased by the late Y. Souren for \$17,000. Souren sold it to the late Henry B. Close whose philatelic estate was auctioned recently.

### Slogan Publicizes Chinese Centennial

The Post Office Department announces that there will be a slogan cancellation in use at Honolulu, Hawaii until August 31 reading "Hawaii Chinese Centennial Week August 10-18, 1952".

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# Prince Charles, Princess Anne On 1952 New Zealand 'Healths'; October 1 Release

James H. Naile

For the second time since they first appeared in 1929 New Zealand's Health semipostals will have a separate design on each of the two stamps. Gracing the issue in 1952 will be the smiling baby faces of Britain's Royal children, Princess Anne and Prince Charles, daughter and son respectively of England's ruling Queen Elizabeth II and her husband Prince Philip. Recent photographs taken by Marcus Adams were made available by the Queen. Ruled out was a composite design which would have shown both children in one portrait so that full justice could be done to the subjects.

The only other previous instance of different pictures on the "Healths" was in 1943 when the children's mother, and aunt, the then Princess Elizabeth and Princess Margaret Rose, appeared on the only triangle-shaped stamps ever produced for a letter.

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**ELIZABETH II.** To assist those who plan a collection of the stamps of the new Queen, here is a list of all of the Princess Elizabeth stamps. Some of these are parts of sets in which case the set numbers are shown in ( ). Most of these stamps, although obsolete, are still available at low prices.

Australia — #210 & 215 1d Princess Elizabeth.

Basutoland — 37/38 3d both Princesses; 1/- Royal Family (35-38).

Bechuanaland — 145/146, 3d both Princesses; 1/- Royal Family (143-146).

Canada #211 1c Princess Elizabeth.

#246 1c Both Princesses. (246-248).

#276 4c Princess Elizabeth.

#315 4c Princess & Duke Royal Visit.

Cook Islands — #128 2d Royal Family. (127-130).

Malta — #229/231, 1d, 3d & 1/- Princess Elizabeth.

Newfoundland — #192 6c Princess Elizabeth.

#247 4c Princess Elizabeth.

#256 4c Princess Elizabeth.

#269 4c Princess Elizabeth.

New Zealand — #B22/23 The Two Princesses.

#B24/25 The Two Princesses.

#B36/37 Princess & Prince Charles.

#250 2d Royal Family (247-257).

Niue — #91 2d Royal Family (90-93).

Samoa — #192 2d Royal Family (191-194).

Southern Rhodesia — #65 1/2d Two Princesses. (65-66).

#69 3d Princess Elizabeth (67-70).

So. West Africa 226/7 3d Two Princesses. (222-227).

Swaziland. 46/47 3d Princess;

1/- Royal Family (44-47).

Union So. Africa 162/3 3d Two Princesses. (158-163).

While not showing portraits of Princess Elizabeth, the Kenya-Uganda Royal Visit set should be included.

**CORONATIONS.** Weekly Stamp Collecting reports that it is understood that the requirements laid down for the Crown Colonies are that they should be two color stamps with center in black and the background and name of the colony in color. They should also incorporate the inscription "Coronation June 2nd 1953."

The main feature of the design is to be the portrait of the queen.

**NEW ZEALAND.** The dominions are not restricted as to the issuance of stamps and it is reported that New Zealand will issue a set of five stamps for the coronation. It is also stated that Elizabeth II stamps are being prepared and may be issued during 1952.

**BURMA.** Although no longer a part of the British Empire, the stamps of Burma are still being bought by B. E. collectors. A complete new set can be expected soon based on the switch from the Indian system of currency to the American system.

The Rupee supplanted on July 1 by the Kyat, although the value is about the same. The Kyat will be equal to 20c in American money against the value of 21c for the Rupee. They will also use the Pia which is equivalent to about 1/6 of the present Anna.

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By CARL P. RUETH

Not that I expect the idea to be given any serious consideration by the Post Office Department, but I offer it for what it is worth.

I suggest that since the Bible commemorative and the News Boys commemorative have such a nationwide appeal, to the local community levels and into individual homes in town and country, that they be released for first day sale in every post office possible.

This would not detract in any way from a formal first day release in Washington and Philadelphia respectively which ceremonies could still be held with their usual preening of politicians and modicum of "hot air".

Those thinking in terms of cataloging should have no difficulty with covers of either for pricing and listing would be on the basis of each of the two officially designated cities.

Making the stamps available on the first day in all possible towns would give locally interested groups an opportunity to make a big thing for the Bible and the newsboys.

The Post Office Department has nothing to lose since the 110 million of each stamp are printed and no doubt well on the way to being distributed by now. From a political angle, and who isn't thinking of politics this year, such local ceremonies would pack more wallop for the administration than another siege of Turner, Chicken and Memorial Poppy labels.

And as a passing thought, if both quantities of commems are distributed well throughout the nation as suggested, and the local ceremonies are made possible, I'll betcha that 110 million printing won't last three months.

Perhaps another "Pony Express" situation would develop where either or both stamps would be worth more than face after twenty years!

1. What is the highest denomination postage stamp on which Benjamin Franklin's portrait has appeared?

2. Our current high postage values are \$1, \$2 and \$5. When was the first time such values were made for postage?

Curtis Swenson of New Richmond, Minn. writes that he suggested to the National Tuberculosis Association that they produce a first day cover each year on the day of release of the Christmas Seal.

From what he has heard on the matter some thought is being given to the idea by the TB Asso. powers that be.

James Waldo Fawcett, stamp editor of the Washington, D. C. Sunday Star is of the opinion that a sudden announcement by the Post Office Department might be made of a commemorative or propaganda stamp for the "S.S. United States".

This is America's new superliner which the newspapers have told us has captured the "Queen of the Seas" title with a 35 plus knots per hour crossing of the Atlantic. Took three days, ten hours and some odd minutes, which, of course, beats walking!

Editor Fawcett commented, "such a label is a natural and it is surprising that it was not arranged weeks ago."

Sounds good. I'm "fer" it.

From official sources under date of June 18, Fred W. Johnson of Washington offers the following as the current status of Union and Confederate surviving veterans. Add these notes to your data on the UCV and GAR issues.

These Confederate soldiers are

Abyssinia ..... 278-80 .65 250-62 1.60  
281-3 .75 263-7 .20 1-7 (9) .40  
C21-22 6.00 291-2 8-14 2.20  
Albania ..... 333-4 .12 35 Hungary ..... 250-60 1.50  
298-309 2.25 350-61 1.50 B12-15 1.75 871-84 1.00  
332-44 1.00 B16-19 1.50 B131-4 .30  
361-66 .40 B20 .30 B188-91 .25  
424-31 .75 B21-4 2.00 C45-52 1.00  
435-7 .40 B25-9 1.20 C53-62 .45  
441-48 1.25 B30-1 .30 CB3-12 .45  
449-50 .25 B32-6 1.25 Iceland ..... 278-80 .65  
455-7 .40 B37-41 .80 198-201 .30  
C1-7 1.50 B42-7 1.40 237-9 .50  
Caracae ..... 298-309 2.25 B48 .30 246-52 1.25  
170-3 .30 B49-51 3.00 257-64 .70  
203-6 .35 B52-6 2.25 B1-4 .40  
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William D. Townsend, Olla, La.  
Arnold Murray, Orangeburg, S. C.

Thomas E. Riddle, Austin, Texas.

Walter W. Williams, Franklin, Texas.

John Salling, Fort Blackmore, Va.

William Lundy, Laurel Hill, Fla.  
W. W. Loudermilk, Jonesboro, Ark.

Uncertain are:—

W. W. Alexander, North Carolina.

Dennis O'Keefe, Richmond, Va.

Union Veterans surviving are said to be:—

Israel Broadsword, Samuels, Idaho.

Albert Woolson, Duluth, Minn.  
James A. Hard, Rochester, N. Y.  
William Magee, Van Nuys, Calif.

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There is agitation brewing in Dayton, Ohio for a commem to publicize the Golden Jubilee of Aviation with a first day of issue at this home of the Wright Brothers.

It seems to be a reasonable idea and should have the full support of all the air lines and the aviation companies over and above that of every other citizen.

The Dayton people got a real trimming from the P.O.D., plus a kick in the face on the Wright airmail commem of 1949. As issued, the Wright sticker came with an all together different dedication of purpose than originally announced. The P.O.D. bureaucrats had to fit some kind of reason for a release at Kitty Hawk, N. C. under the circumstances.

But this agitation for the stamp comes at a bad time to get the proper attention. The present gang running the Department won't last past the end of the year.

Should a Democrat become president it wouldn't be conceivable that he'd saddle himself with it, and there is no question what the Republicans would do.

Seems as if one of the stamp clubs planning an exhibition had a problem to consider which is not uncommon, but which certainly doesn't need a Solomon for a satisfactory solution.

They wanted to know whether judges of the show should be permitted to enter exhibits in that same show, for competition.

With the crop of h—l (bad word) and criticism judges catch at each exhibition anyhow, how could any judge expose himself by weighing the merits of his material against that of friends and strangers? Regardless of the outcome, and how outstanding his entry was, that kind of thing just isn't being done.

A Judge can enter his material "not for competition", which in some places is recognized by a special certificate or ribbon, regardless of the worth of his entry. There should never be such a scarcity of either judges or exhibits that a committee would have to accept a judge and his entry to get both.

I read in a club bulletin where of the ten judges at a recent show, four had exhibits, which copped ten of the awards, one of them being the grand. What would you as an exhibitor in that exhibition have thought?

1. The \$2 of 1918.
2. The Columbians of 1893.

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## Canada Official Rarity Found

An error has been discovered on Canada's Official 10c Fur Industry stamp, Scotts No. O26/in that the overprint "G" has been omitted from stamp number 31 on the upper left sheet of Plates No. 1 and 2.

Apparently the overprinting operation is applied on one complete pane at a time and this particular unit, had the letter "G" either fall out or become dislodged in some manner with the result that one stamp in every 200 appears without the overprint.

How many were done will probably never be known but B. M. Keighley of Toronto, Canada has information in writing from the Philatelic Agency in Ottawa that as soon as the error was discovered the entire stock was returned to the manufacturers as being unsuitable.

However, prior to the discovery some sheets with the errors were distributed to various government departments throughout the country in the normal manner and some were actually used in joined pairs.

## Rhode Islanders Plan Clam Bake

One of the grandest family parties and finest philatelic gatherings is the annual summer meeting and outing, this year's is the 14th, of the Rhode Island Philatelic Society.

On Saturday August 16 the club members, their families and friends will gather at the Peleg Francis Farm at Rehoboth for a clam bake and an all day outing. Activities begin with a clam chowder luncheon at noon. In the afternoon there will be games and contests, an auction, and of course a continuous bourse staffed by some of New England's most active dealers.

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Two weeks ago in our issue of July 7, I offered to pay \$500 to the first person who could produce an authentic cover with a cancellation matching the one which was illustrated in this paper on the editorial page in that July 7 issue.

I am now able to double that offer and the lucky finder of such a cancellation on an authentic cover will be paid not \$500, but \$1000.

This offer is made possible through the cooperation and interest of another person other than myself.

When I went to Hawaii last summer to attend the big centenary stamp show held by the Hawaiian Philatelic Society in Honolulu, I was intrigued by the display of Hawaiian Missionary Stamps in one of the booths and not in the regular frames of the show. I began to take an interest in this display and to make some comparisons with the stamps in the frames. It was not practical to make satisfactory comparisons thus, so little could be done.

However I did make the acquaintance of Mr. Herbert Sterling of Los Angeles, California, the man who was displaying what were labeled as the Grinnell Missionary Stamps. These stamps were so called because they were originally found by a Mr. George Grinnell of Los Angeles. The stamps were subsequently sold to John Kleemann, a New York stamp expert after he had examined them and pronounced them genuine and after they had been examined by other men accepted as expert philatelists, such men as Bertram W. H. Poole etc. After the stamps had been purchased and taken to New York they were compared with a few Hawaiian Missionary stamps in the collection of Mr. Caspary and he pronounced them counterfeits. Since that time the stamps have been looked upon with question by some while others who have examined and studied the stamps are inclined to believe that they are perhaps as any of the accepted stamps. There is everything in their favor, the chances are that if all accepted Missionary Stamps were got together and compared with the Grinnell find that it would be impossible to deny them admittance as genuine stamps. Only a few stamps were used for comparison, these few were mostly stamps that had been altered either by repair or cleaning and were thus not true examples; one cover even had been altered by removing the original address and substituting another so with such manipulation of so called genuine stamps what right have such stamps to be used for comparison to condemn clean stamps that have not been altered or tampered with. Any sane student of early Hawaiian Postal History could not help but admit that there must have been several printings of these early stamps, any denial of that fact should brand the man as an ignoramus. The very method of production makes it a certainty that there were several printings and several printings could only mean differences in the stamps of the same denominations and type. It is solely because the old repair boys set a pattern in their repair jobs on the early stamps and hung to it that they refuse to accept the Grinnell stamps as genuine. Such differences as there are, are so minor in detail that any experienced printer of the old school could readily account for and explain away such minor differences to the satisfaction of anyone with ordinary understanding.

But such explanation will not be listened to or accepted so it becomes necessary to make the supreme effort to authenticate these stamps and that should be done provided we can find a cancellation on an old Hawaiian cover which will match with cancels on the Grinnell stamps. This may be a difficult task, it might not even be accomplished for it is a known fact that the bulk of the known genuine stamps are stamps with cork cancels, it is also known that of the stamps with regular circular cancels with wording within the circles, that there are many such known cancels on old covers but which are not known on covers bearing Hawaiian Missionary stamps. It will therefore be a big task to find the exact cancel that is wanted, but we hope that this offer to pay \$1000 cash to anyone who can find an Old Hawaiian cover cancel like the one illustrated in our issue of July 7, will start a world wide search. We believe the Philatelic Press of the world should cooperate with the thought of solving this mystery which has intrigued every student with an open mind, for to see these stamps and compare them with accepted stamps makes anyone wonder what is there that keeps the philatelic world from accepting them as genuine.

Mr. Herbert Sterling is a Los Angeles business man and philatelist who became acquainted with Mr. Grinnell some few years before his death and who after seeing and examining the stamps became of the belief that the stamps were genuine. At his own expense he took the stamps to Hawaii to show them and search for proof of their authenticity.

Thus since my offer of \$500 for a matching cancel, Mr. Sterling comes forward and offers another \$500 which makes a total of \$1000 which will be paid in cash to the first person who produces a genuine old Hawaiian cover bearing a cancel like the one we illustrated. Merely submit the cover to our office. It will then be submitted to the Philatelic Foundation in New York for study and comparison. If this group will pronounce the cover genuine and the cancel identical with the one we are searching for you will be paid \$1000 cash. The cancel need not be on a stamp of this period but must be on a cover of the period of use of the Missionary stamps.

Watch for illustrations or descriptions in old auction catalogs or stamp literature, if you find one that we can trace back to the original cover you might win this award.

## How Many Stamp Hinges

We have a letter from a large manufacturer of paper who inquires if we can tell them How Many Stamp Hinges Are Used By Philatelists and Dealers in a Year's Time? Perhaps you would like to hazard a guess or give an estimate. All such letters will be welcome. The problem is that if the quantity is large enough this big

company may find it desirable to manufacture paper for such hinges. If this should come about we could depend on research of the most thorough kind which might result in development of a stamp hinge that would be better than anything heretofore available. Thus you should know that the project is one that will benefit our hobby and if your help in determining the number of hinges used annually can help such a project you should give what help you can in finding the answer to this problem.

## DOUBLE IMPRESSIONS—by W.A.



"I realize this string must look silly and conspicuous, but I've been so absent-minded lately, and I didn't want to forget that set for Jack's birthday."

## Issue Catalog For R.R. Cancellations

A listing of the printed cancellations of the Railroad Companies on the 1898 Battleship Documentaries of the United States has been released. It is a "Catalog of Railroad Company, Street Railway Company and Express Company Printed Cancellations on the 1898 U. S. Revenues," published and sold by Richard D. Fullerton, 300 Quentin Ave., Dayton, 3, Ohio.

This highly specialized field of collecting has been long neglected and the "catalog" of 16 offset printed pages is illustrated with 55 photographs, the work of editor Fullerton.

The 1898 Documentary Revenues were used at the turn of the century on bills of lading, receipts, etc. by the above types of transportation companies to pay the required government tax. When the volume of business was small a rubber hand stamp or a pen cancellation was used.

However some 20 Railroads, 2 Street Railways and 3 Express Companies found their business to be of such a volume that it warranted having the "tax" stamps typeset printed with the pertinent data. These companies "precancelled" their stamps to avoid time consuming labor at the time of use.

The catalog lists all major varieties and illustrates them, as well as describes and gives the measurements of the major types. Minor varieties are also listed and all together 129 items have been recorded.

The list makes note of the Roulette 5 1/2 and Hyphen-Hole 7 perforations common in this stamp. Fullerton has recorded these cancellations on the 1, 2, 5, and 10c values. Others may exist.

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## Summer Outing For Philadelphians

A second interesting summer meeting is in store for the members of the Philadelphia, Pa. Stamp and Cover Club August 24. The group will meet at the country home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Smuckler for a day of philatelic and social activity.

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## New Letter Sheet, Cancels From Israel

New items from Israel have been seen by P. Ostrow, Elizabeth, N. J. Reported is a new 30-pruta letter sheet (not an airmail item) with imprinted coin stamp as the design.

Three new post office openings have also been noted—Hagalil Hamaravim on March 27, Agir on April 8 and Mazeret Batya on April 20. Special cacheted covers were issued to commemorate each event.

Finally, a special commemorative cancel was used to mark the July meeting of the Zionist Executive Committee in Jerusalem.

## Healthy Growth For Postage Meter Society

In less than seven months time, the American Metered Postage Society has grown to over 100 members, these located in communities from coast to coast.

All are interested in collecting and learning more in the postage meter field. Part of the learning is aided by the regular bulletin of the group sent to all paid up members.

Further information can be gotten from Henry O. Meisel, Clintonville, Wis.

## NEW U. S. FIRST DAYS

Aug. 11—Mount Rushmore 3c, Keystone, S. D. (send cover to Rapid City, S. D. for servicing) 50 per pane—110 million.

Sept. 30—Bible 3c, Washington, D. C. (50 per pane—110 million). Oct. 4—Newsboys 3c, Philadelphia Pa. (50 per pane—110 million).

1004—Betty Ross 3c, Philadelphia, January 2.

1005—4-H 3c, Springfield, Ohio January 15.

1006—B&O RR 3c, Baltimore, Md., February 28.

1007—AAA Safety 3c, Chicago, III. March 4.

1008—NATO 3c, Washington, D. C., April 4.

1009—Grand Coulee Dam 3c, Grand Coulee, Wash., May 15.

1010—Lafayette 3c, Georgetown, S. C., June 13.

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253-55	.12	B24	1.75
255-58	.25	B25-28	.55
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The Metco Stamp Club is comprised of employees of the company's home office in New York City.

The Memorial Room was thronged with interested spectators every day during the lunch periods while the exhibition was held and after closing hours.

The committee in charge left the judging to the spectators, and as a result of this innovation, the interest of spectators was increased tremendously. A ballot was prepared and those interested were requested to vote for the exhibit they liked best.

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### Trieste Fair Set, Italy, San Marino

San Marino produced its eight commemorative stamps for the Trieste Fair by overprinting designs of the previously issued Columbus set with the wording "Fiera di Trieste 1952". The overprinting was in black on some and red on other values.

Colors of the basic stamps differed from the original issue. Denominations and colors of the Fair set are 1 Lira violet, 2L red, 3L green, 4L brown, 5L violet, 10L blue, 15L orange, and 200L (airmail) gray-black and brown.

Italy too has issued a stamp for the same event, a 25L in red and green. According to Vittorio Lo Bianco of New York City the design pictures a church, possibly the historical cathedral of San Giusto in Trieste, a fishing boat, and the Italian Flag, the latter no doubt a symbol of Italy's desire to have Trieste reunite with the mother land.

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Two British Colonies British Guiana and British Honduras will demonetize their Peace issues, the former on November 30, the latter on November 17.

Walter C. Brooke, Box 101, Boyertown, Pa. is probably the dealer a number of collectors are searching for he specializes in covers of all kinds. At the moment he is offering specials in both the foreign and United States first day cover fields. He concentrates on supplying FDC's from all over the world, U. S. FDC's and special event items.

The offices of Vittorio Lo Bianco, 116 Nassau St., New York 38, N. Y. are going to be closed for a two weeks vacation from July 19 to August 3. Called by its operators "Italian Philatelic Headquarters" it specializes in the stamps, covers and related philatelic items of Italy and Colonies, San Marino, Trieste, Roman States and the Vatican.

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Every other Friday the "American Philatelic Market Letter" is sent out to over 3000 collectors by its publishers at 509 Fifth Ave., New York 17, N. Y. Material contained is held to offers of United States in mint and used condition, covers, and generally a listing or so of an outstanding rarity or

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A SURVEY FOR BENEFIT OF DEALER AND COLLECTOR

Much has been said by both dealer and collector about collecting of stamps during the summer time. The dealer says he does not wish to spend money advertising because the collector will not buy. Collectors on the other hand write this office from time to time and wonder what has happened to so and so dealer. "He stopped during the last summer and again this summer. What kind of a dealer is he?" This is a quote from a collector.

Now for the benefit of all. We wonder if the collectors throughout the readership of Linn's will return the following questionnaire fully filled in so that we may judge whether it is the dealer or the collector who is at fault. Names and addresses are not necessary. Merely give your opinion. Send in the number of your choice on a postal card if you wish.

- I do not collect during the summer.....
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- I collect only when I find a good buy winter or summer.....
- I find nothing wrong with the attitude of dealers or collectors.....
- Give me more good buys and I'll buy stamps no matter what season it is.....

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Burma will change the color of the current 2 annas to a bright green, while from Ceylon comes word that a mistake in the Tamil wording on the 35¢ orchid stamp has been noted. There is a dot missing from the word "ilangai" (meaning Ceylon) which alters the pronunciation to "ilangagai".

Additions to the regular postage series are expected from French India the values to be 18 cahes, 1.15f., and 4f.

Germany's Federal Republic is in preparation a 30pf blue to commemorate the 75th anniversary of August Nikolaus Otto's gas engine. Included in the design will be a portrait of the inventor and a sectional drawing of the engine.

From Laos on July 21 came a 30.30pi dark and light violet regular.

A new definitive issue has appeared from Lebanon containing regulars, airmails and postage dues.

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The Bible as most people know is not one book. It is a collection of many written or compiled by a number of persons over a period of 1000 years. It was organized into official or canonical form some 350 years after the crucifixion of Jesus of Nazareth.

The 39 books that comprise the Old Testament are sacred to both Jewish and Christian groups. It was originally written in Hebrew, while 27 of the New Testament were in Greek. Parts of some of the papers were in Arabic script also.

The Bible has profoundly influenced American History and still does. Thomas Jefferson who some political enemies tried to brand as an infidel carefully collected all spoken words of Jesus of Nazareth into a beautifully bound little book which he prepared with his own hands, and he wrote a friend these words "I think this shows I am a Christian, by which I mean a believer in the words of Jesus of Nazareth".

Daniel Webster, greatest of all speech makers got his start by reading the Bible aloud in New Hampshire taverns, and it is said that he never went to the Senate floor for an important speech, without first conditioning himself on the 8th Psalm and the 40th chapter of Isaiah.

On April 30, 1789 when everything was in readiness for the inauguration of General George Washington as President of the United States of America some one discovered there was no Bible available. Chancellor Robert Livingston sent a messenger to borrow one from St. John's Masonic Lodge. This was placed on a red cushion and Washington stood with his hand on it while the oath was read, after which he bent down and kissed it.

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THE UNIVERSAL POSTAL UNION CONGRESS at Brussels, Belgium in May was memorialized with a set of stamps of which two of the denominations can be seen on the cover above. They are the 80c olive green picturing Francois de Tassis and the 1.75fr vermilion with a portrait of Jean B. de Tassis. Both were members of the family (Thurn and Taxis) which held a postal monopoly in Europe for many years. The special first day cancel of May 14 can be clearly seen on the cover. It was sent through the courtesy of M. Poisson-Massart, Antwerp, Belgium.

## Vatican Philately

by William Wonneberger, Jr.

## PART VI

## Postage Due Stamps — Series of 1931

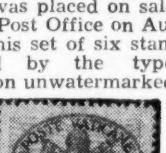
On October 1, 1931 a set of six postage due stamps was placed on sale at the Vatican Post Office. These were made possible by using an engraved overprint on stamps of the 1929 series. The stamps overprinted were the 5, 10, 20, and 30 centesimi values. The overprint consisted of a black ornamental border with the word "Segnatasse" (postage due) arranged diagonally reading from the lower left to the upper right hand corners.



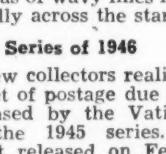
In addition to the above four stamps, two lire values of this set were also converted to this task. They were the 2 and 2½ lire values. The overprint had that same border but the word segnatasse was arranged diagonally across the lower portion of the stamp.



The denomination was changed by placing a design similar to an "X" over the previous value and printing a new one along the left side reading from bottom to top. The 2 lire was changed to 60 centesimi and the 2½ lire to 1.10 lire.



These stamps, needed because of new postal fees were of the 5, 20, and 80 centesimi values and the 1, 2, and 5 lire values. The design consisted of the Papal Tiara and Crossed Keys enclosed in a cordlike frame. The background was of wavy lines running horizontally across the stamp.



This set, of the same design as the previous set, has the same six values. The set was produced from redrawn plates of the previous set but the difference can be seen with the naked eye. The Papal Tiara and wording are much darker and the background lines

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curved around the portrait so as not to interfere with it. The tops



of the letters were touching the edge of the stamp design.

## Fiscal Stamps

Another set of stamps that is rarely known to the average collector is the Fiscal. These stamps are similar to the American documentary and revenues and are used on various documents of the Vatican City State. They are divided into three groups, Notary, Interior, and State Department.

The Notary stamps are printed in yellow brown. This group consists of two values, the 5 lire and the 20 lire. The 20 lire denomination is an overprint on the 5 lire stamp.

The second group, the Interior, are printed in violet. This group of stamps is made up of three values, 5, 10, and 40 lire. The 10 and 40 lire stamps, like the previous group, are overprints of the 5 lire.

The largest of the three groups is the fiscals of the State Department. This group has a total of six stamps printed in bistre. The values are 5, 10, 20, 100, 500, and 1,000 lire. Like the others, all of the stamps are overprints of the 5 lire value.

These stamps all have the same design. Once again the Papal Tiara and Crossed Keys are shown, this time enclosed in a circle with a border inscription of "Stato Della Città Del Vaticano". Below this is the name of the department that uses the stamp arranged in three lines. Across the bottom of the stamp is the denomination marking "Lire Cinque".

The overprint to change the value is a numerical one, in black, applied on the word "Cinque". It has been rumored that the five lire values are becoming obsolete.

(This story of the philatelic

material of Vatican State is necessarily condensed. Should you want additional information send a stamped-addressed envelope with your request to William Wonneberger, Jr., 556 Newfield Ave., Bridgeport 7, Conn.)

(Continued next week)